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28 January 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Letters to New Senators

1. On 8 January you asked that a letter be prepared to the new Senators. Attached is the response from the DD/S on this subject.

2. I am inclined to agree that a letter to each of the new Senators might pose a problem and would suggest that a call on these individuals by Mr. Warner, perhaps followed up later by a telephone call from you should an opportunity present itself, would be preferable. I do not agree with the DD/S' objections to the DD/I's participating in a Department of State briefing of the Senators.

/s/ Lyman B. Kirkpatrick  
Inspector General

Att.

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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence**

**SUBJECT: Letters to New Senators**

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for approval of the Director of Central Intelligence. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 5.
2. Attached is a draft letter prepared pursuant to your request that appropriate letters be sent to the new Senators inviting them to become acquainted with the Agency. Also attached for your information is a list of the eighteen (18) new Senators. This letter, of course, would be adapted to fit special situations such as Senators Keating, Dodd, McCarthy and others.
3. I believe further consideration should be given to the idea of sending out letters to the eighteen new Senators. New Congressmen in Washington are besieged with all types of welcoming letters, congratulatory messages, invitations to various activities and other correspondence demanding their attention. Consequently, a letter would not necessarily have the impact desired. On the other hand, putting out eighteen letters inviting inquiry about the Agency could come to the attention of the other Senators and in particular cases such as Dworshak, Mansfield and Margaret Chase Smith there is a strong possibility of an adverse reaction. There will be a total of seventy Senators who will not have received such a letter in the past.
4. To accomplish the same purpose, I should like to offer two suggestions. The Department of State is planning to hold a briefing session on world events for the freshmen Senators. The program will call for a few words from the Secretary of State and then substantive briefings from the Assistant Secretaries, the program lasting approximately two hours.

On a tentative basis, Mr. Macomber has offered to provide a place on this schedule for an Agency representative if we desire. Additionally, it is common practice in other legislative liaison offices to have the principal liaison officer personally call on new Senators and appropriate freshmen Representatives. In such cases they generally furnish some items of departmental information which are pertinent to the Congressman's particular district or state. In addition to appropriate welcoming words, an offer of assistance is made and the Congressman is provided specific information on the legislative liaison officers available for assistance to the Congressman.

5. I recommend a combination of the two above suggestions and suggest that Mr. Amory could be selected to give a fifteen or twenty minute talk on the Agency on the Department of State's schedule.

s/ John S. Warner  
JOHN S. WARNER  
Legislative Counsel

Attachments - 2  
Draft Letter  
List of New Senators

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The recommendation in paragraph 5 is approved.

Date

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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DRAFT

Honorable \_\_\_\_\_  
United States Senate  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator \_\_\_\_\_:

I wish to extend you a warm welcome upon the assuming  
of your new responsibilities as Senator from \_\_\_\_\_.

If the Agency can be of any assistance I would like to assure you  
of every possible cooperation.

As you are no doubt aware, statutory restrictions, based  
on security requirements, preclude publication of detailed information  
regarding the Agency. However, if you wish to be informed in more  
detail concerning the Agency I would be happy to meet with you to discuss  
our mission and responsibilities.

If the Agency can be of any assistance in any other way, please  
let us know. Our Legislative Counsel, Mr. John S. Warner, is  
available at all times to assist either you or members of your staff.

He can be reached on

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Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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**California**

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I favor the proposals in Para 4 rather than the letters.  
(1/16/59) /s/ L. B. H.

For the reasons mentioned in Para 3 of John Warner's memorandum I question the wisdom of writing letters to the new Senators. I also question the wisdom of having an Agency representative appear on a Department of State program to brief the Senators on world events-- in fact I think that this would be much more questionable than sending the letters. I would recommend that John Warner call on the new Senators personally and convey to them on behalf of the Director the content of the proposed letter.  
/s/L. K. White

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